





## Ken-ichi Sakura

Dragon Drive has been so busy, what with the cards, anime, games and capsule toys. Is everyone keeping up? I hope you're catching it all without missing anything! I am! While we're at it, don't forget the manga.

And don't forget to take out the trash...

Ken-ichi Sakura's manga debut was Fabre Tanteiki, which was published in a special edition of Monthly Shonen Jump in 2000. Serialization of Dragon Drive began in the March 2001 issue of Monthly Shonen Jump and the hugely successful series has inspired video games and an animated TV show. Sakura's latest title, Kotokuri, began running in the March 2006 issue of Monthly Shonen Jump. Dragon Drive and Kotokuri have both become tremendously popular in Japan because of Sakura's unique sense of humor and dynamic portrayal of feisty teen characters.

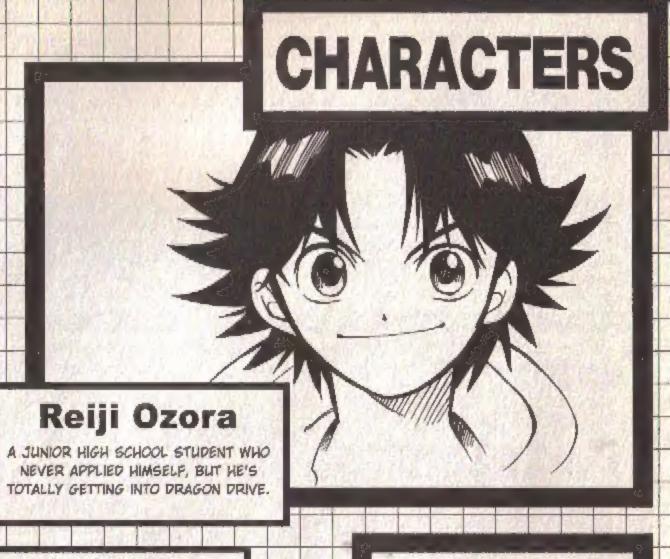
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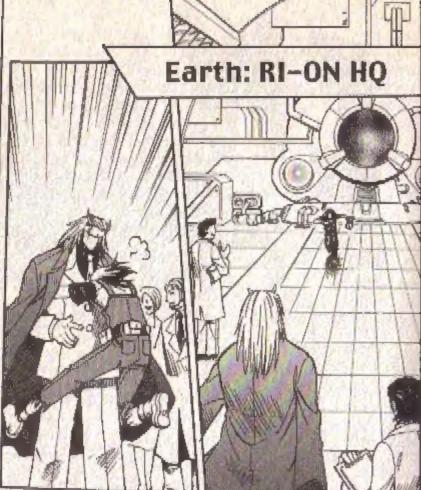
Dragon drive is a virtual reality game that only kids can play. The thrill of the game grips reiji, a boy who was never really good at anything. While training in a special room one day, reiji and his friends are whisked away to rikyu, an alternate earth. There, he learns that RI-ON, the organization running d.d., is plotting to conquer both rikyu and earth. RI-ON is using children to get the Jinryu stone, which has the power to control dragons. To save both worlds, reiji joins rokkaku to enter the dragonic heaven competition in rikyu. The battle for the grand prize, the Jinryu stone, ends with kohei toki seizing the stone through underhanded tactics. Reiji manages to get in one hit as kohei is transported back to earth, but the stone appears to be lost...

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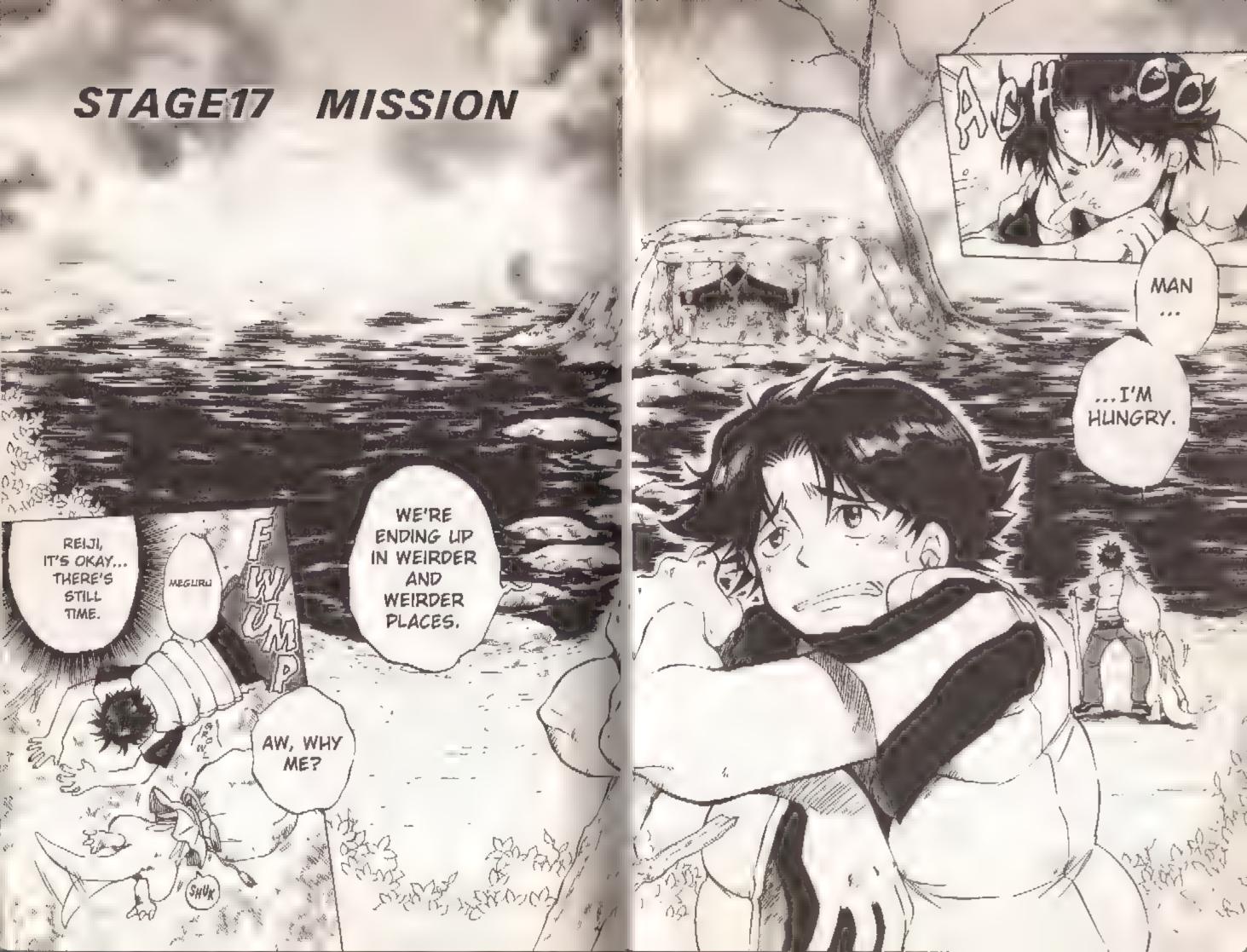




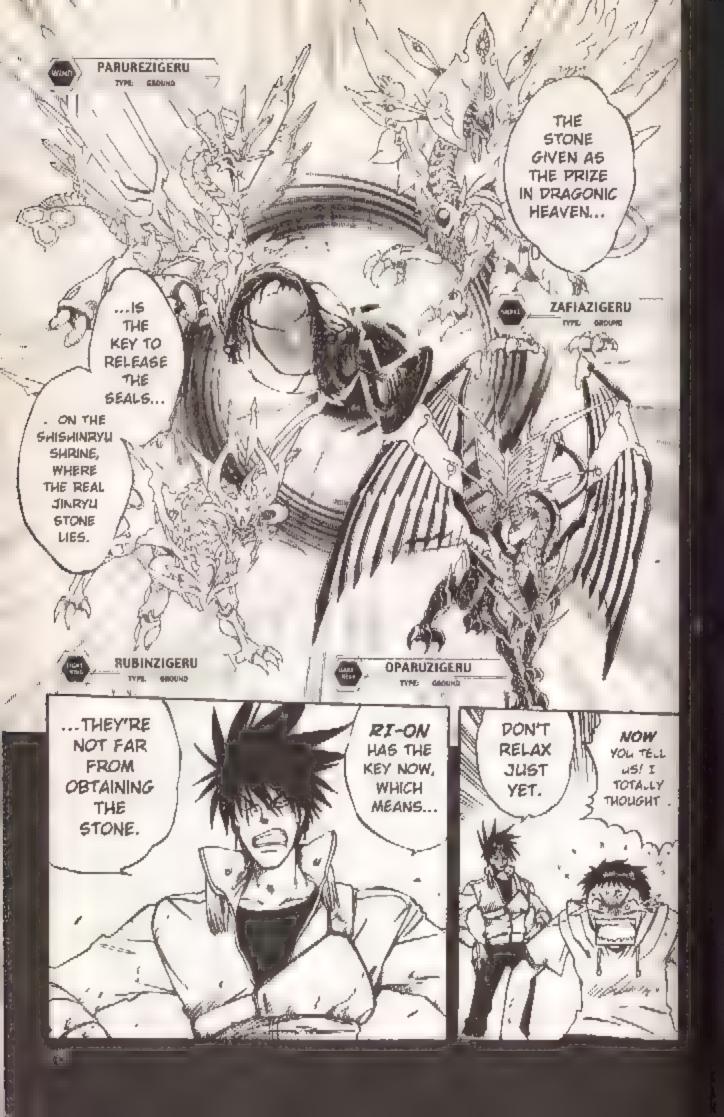




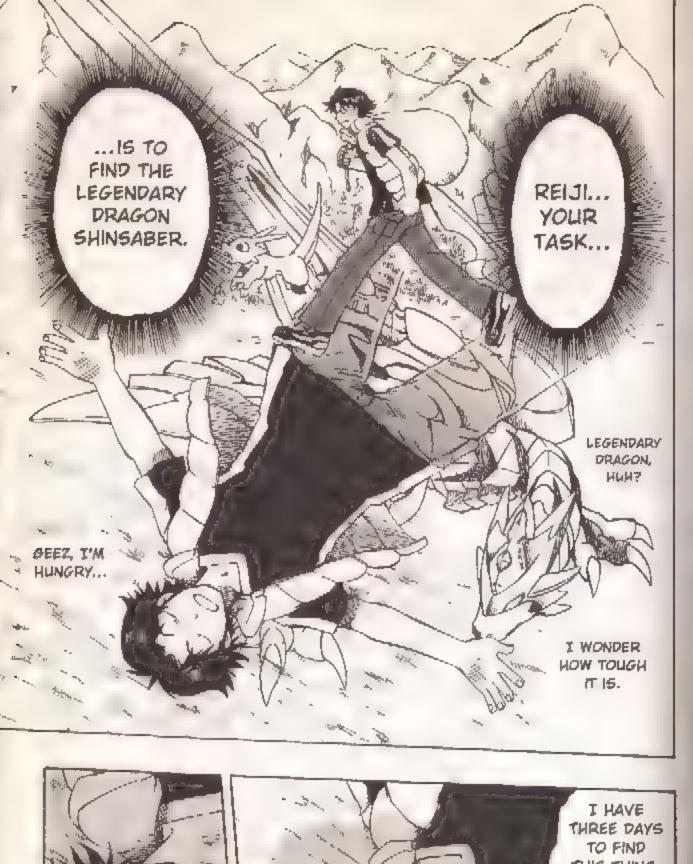












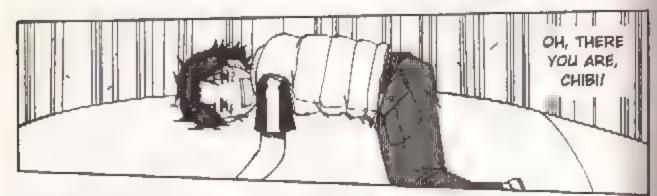




































































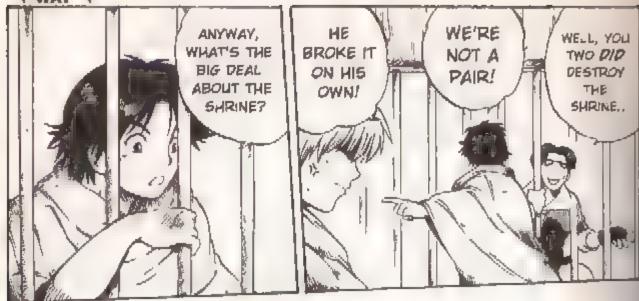














































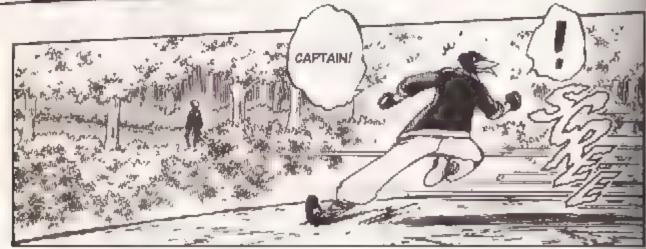












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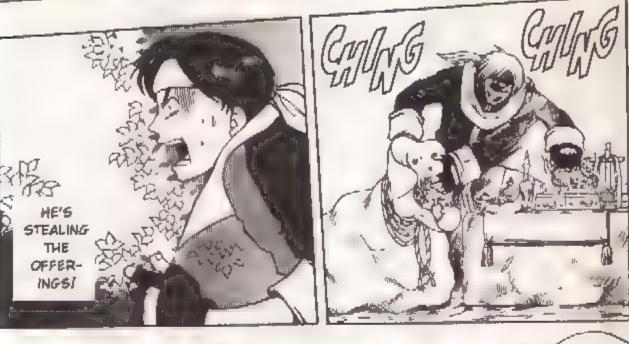
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WHAT A

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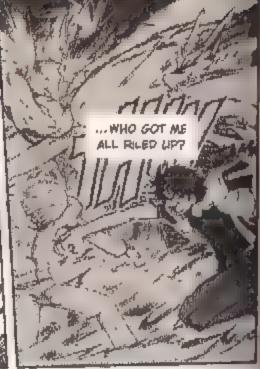




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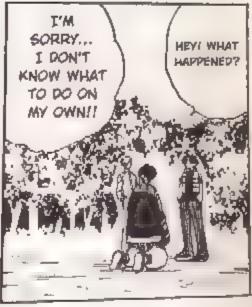


































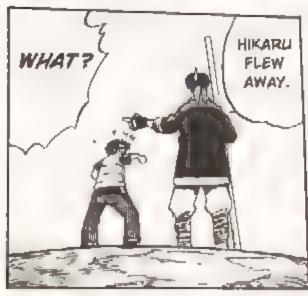




















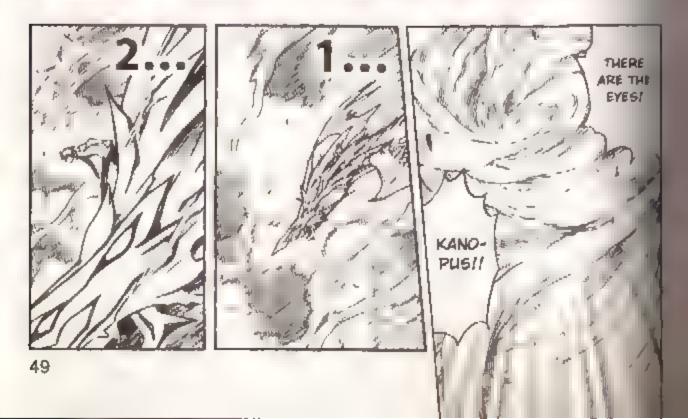




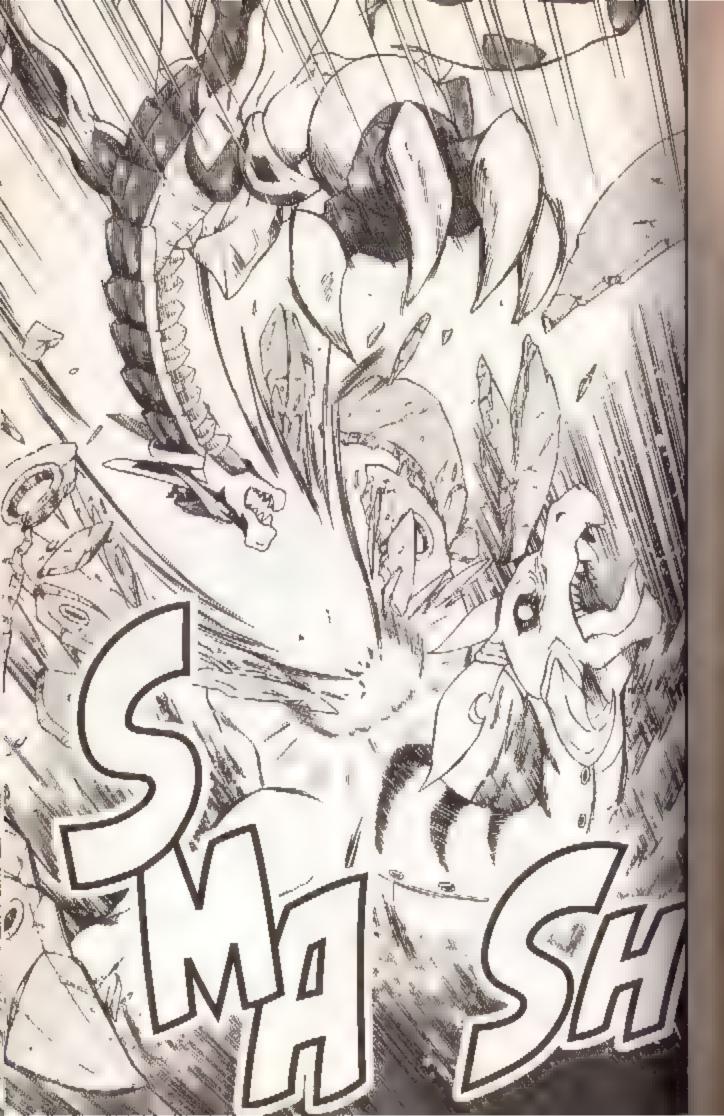


















































THIS CHARACTER IS BASED ON YUSUKE MATSUSHIMA, WHO WON THE RIGHT TO APPEAR IN THE COMIC. SORRY IT'S SO LATE, YUSUKE!!



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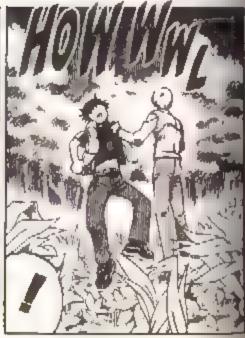














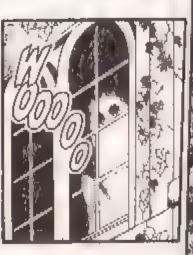




















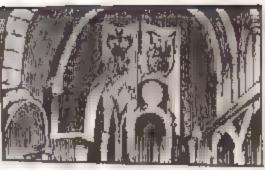


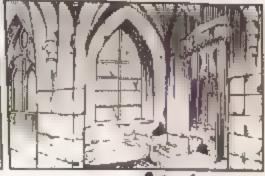












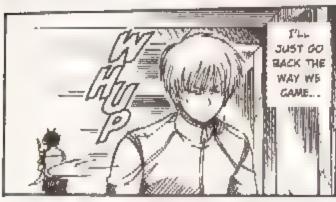








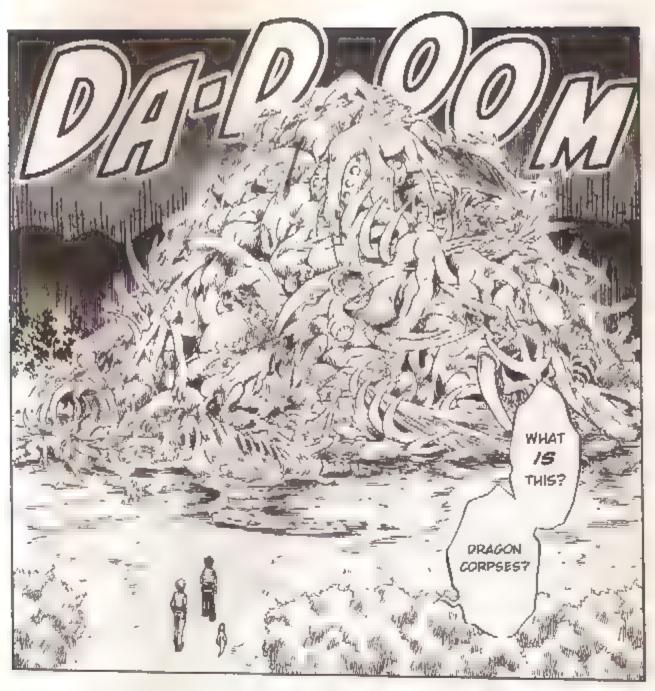










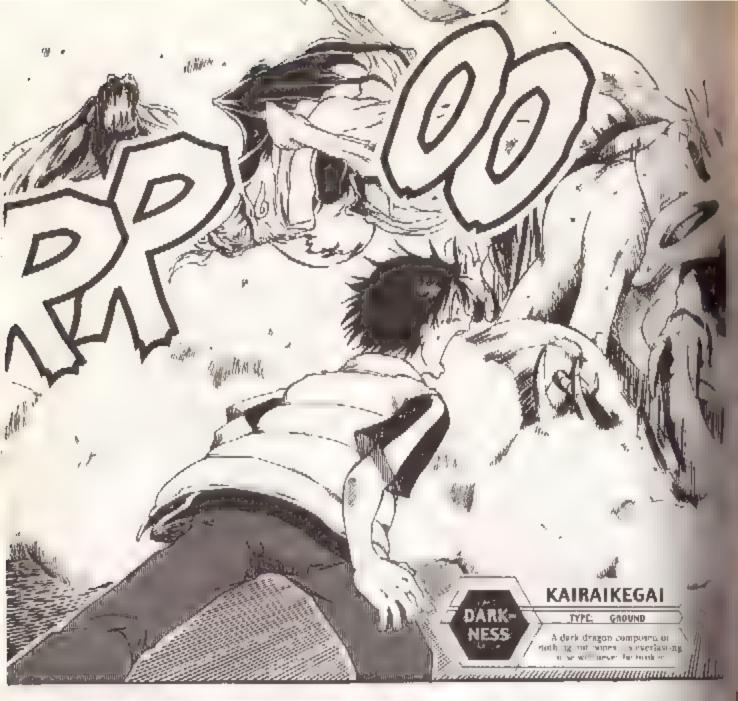


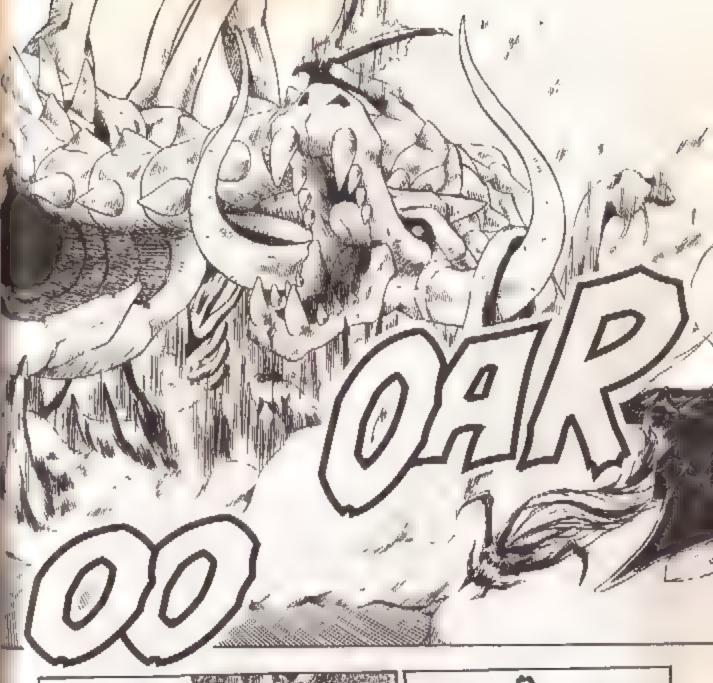
































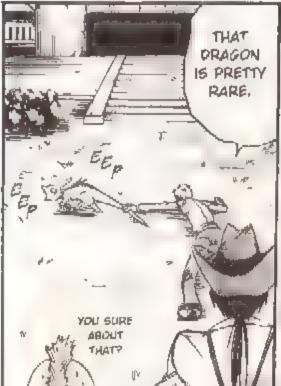




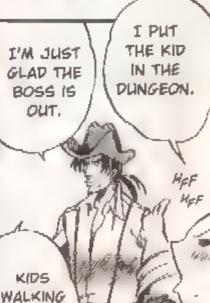












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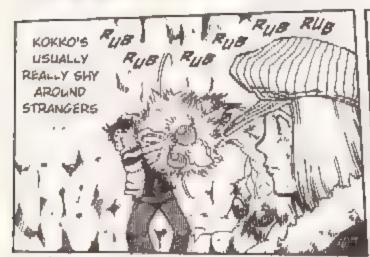






















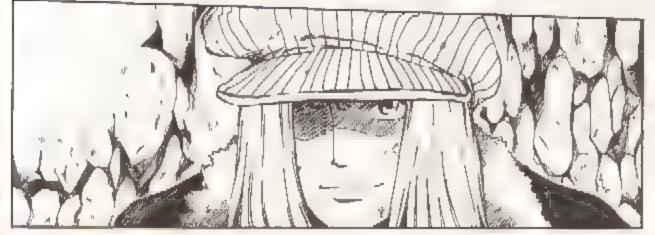










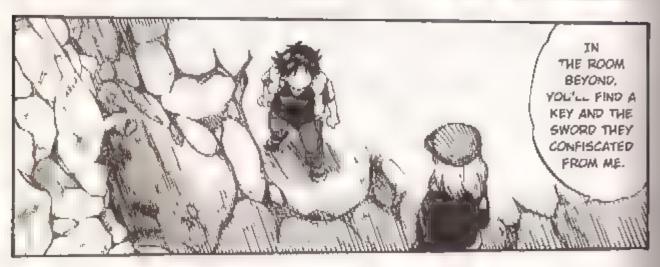






























































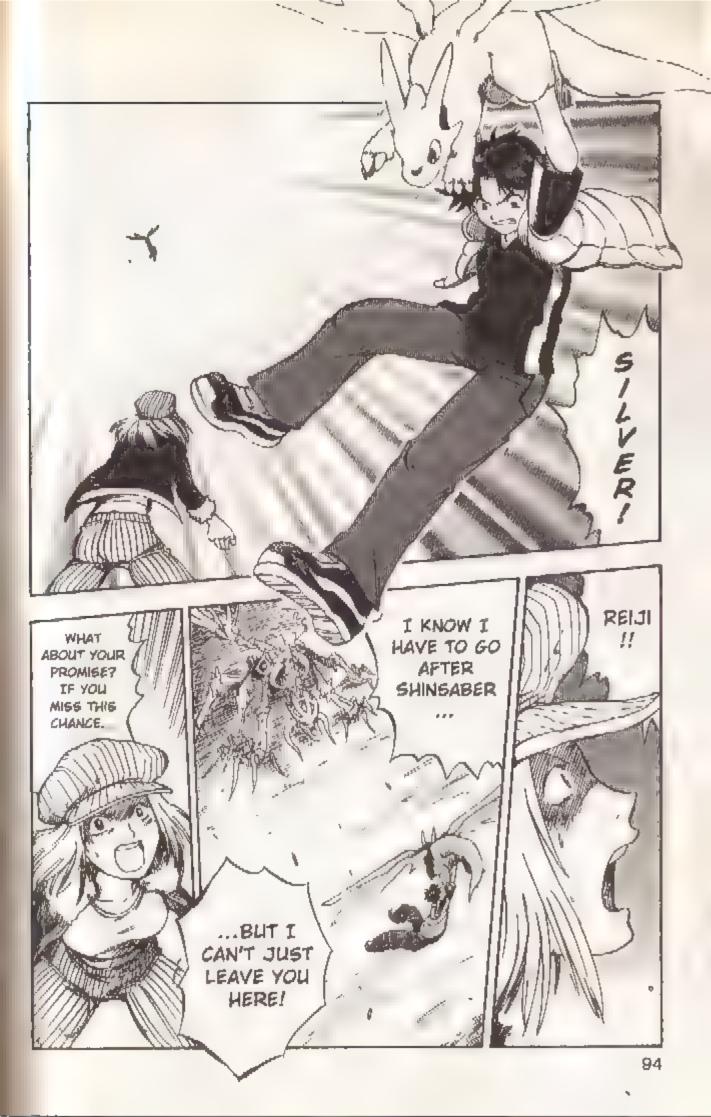




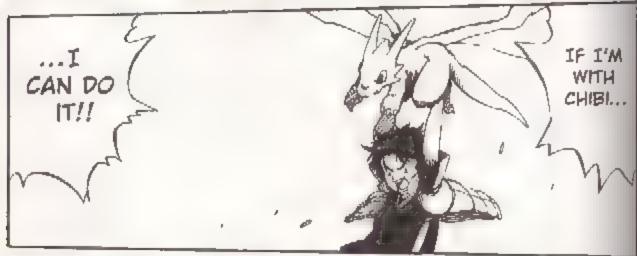








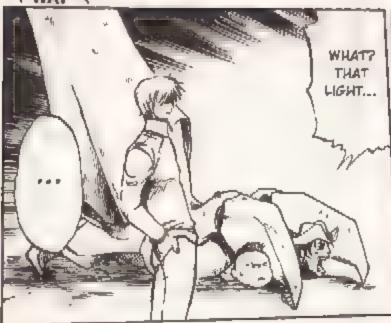














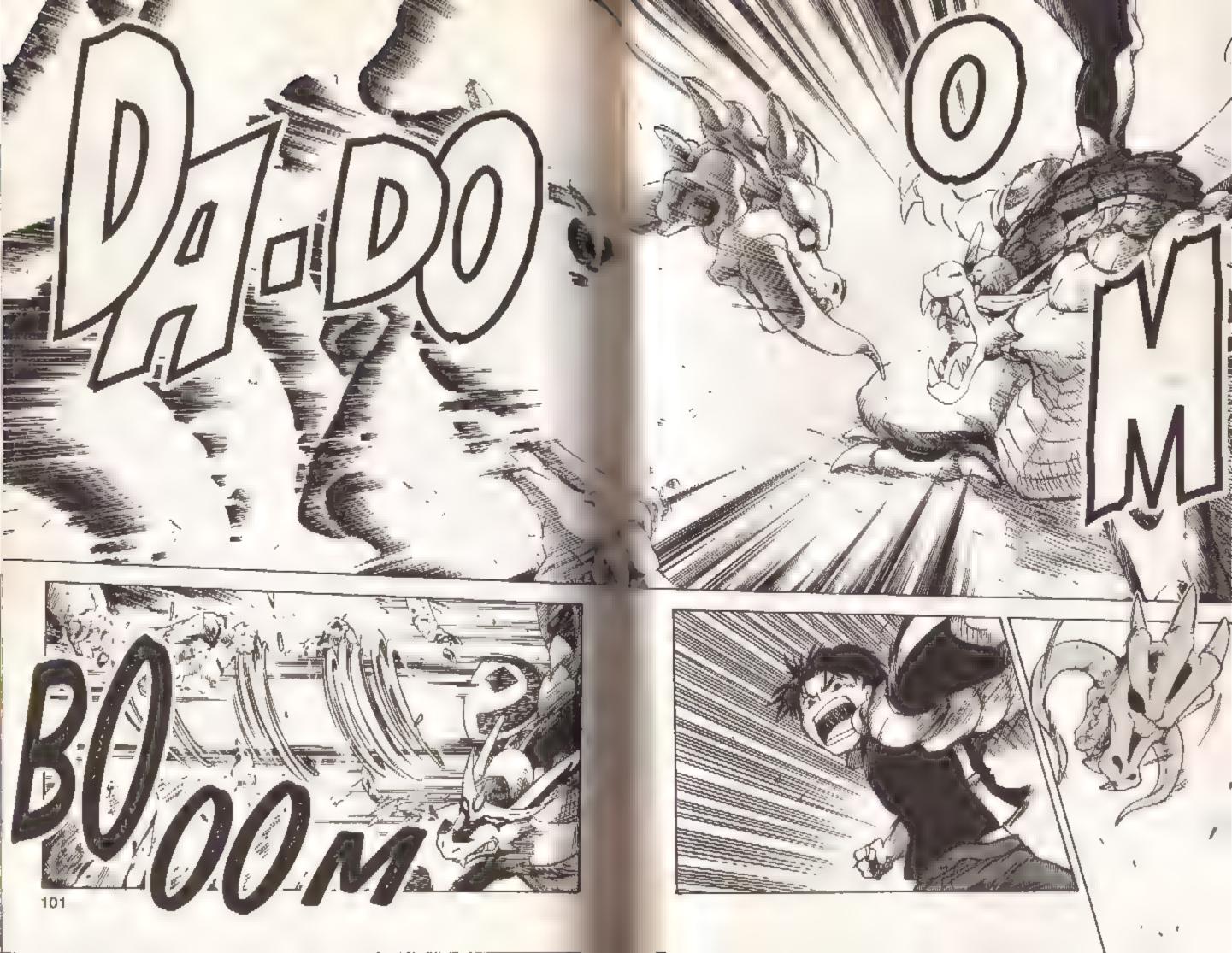










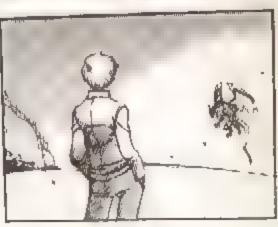




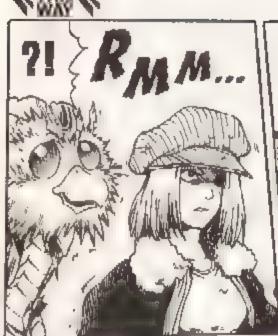








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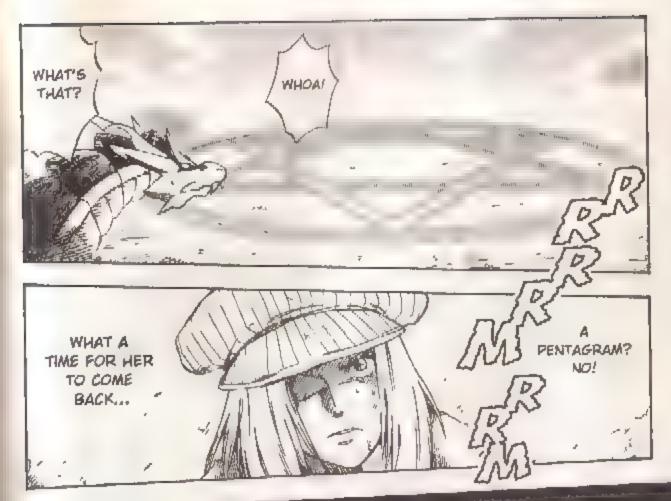
















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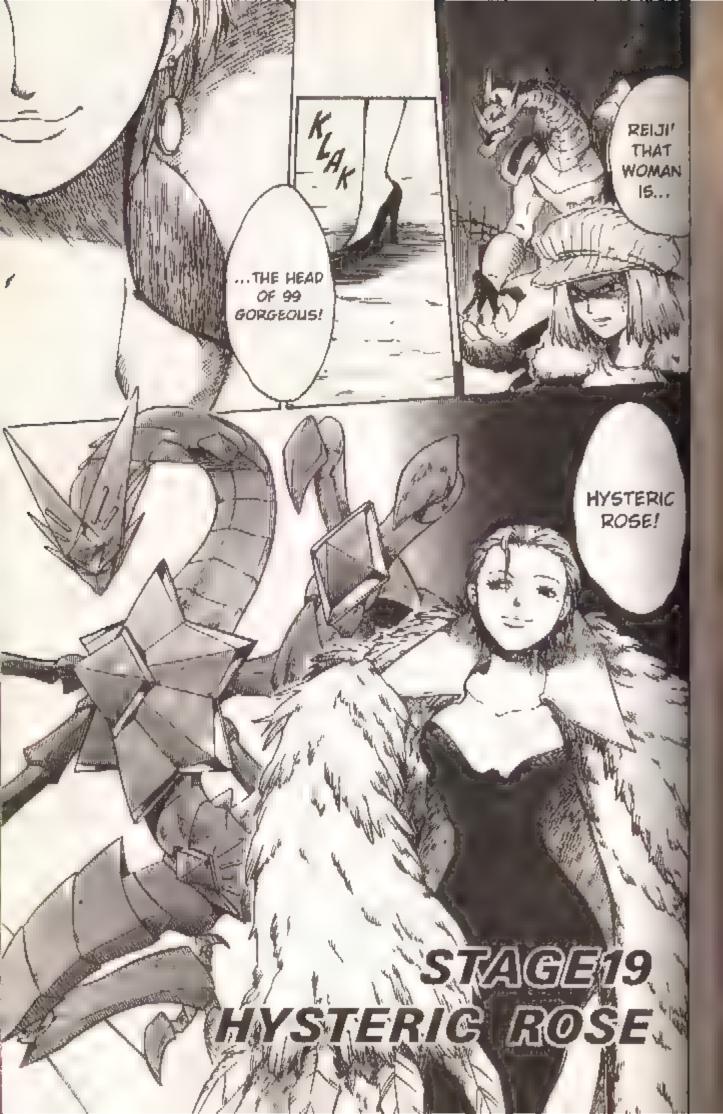
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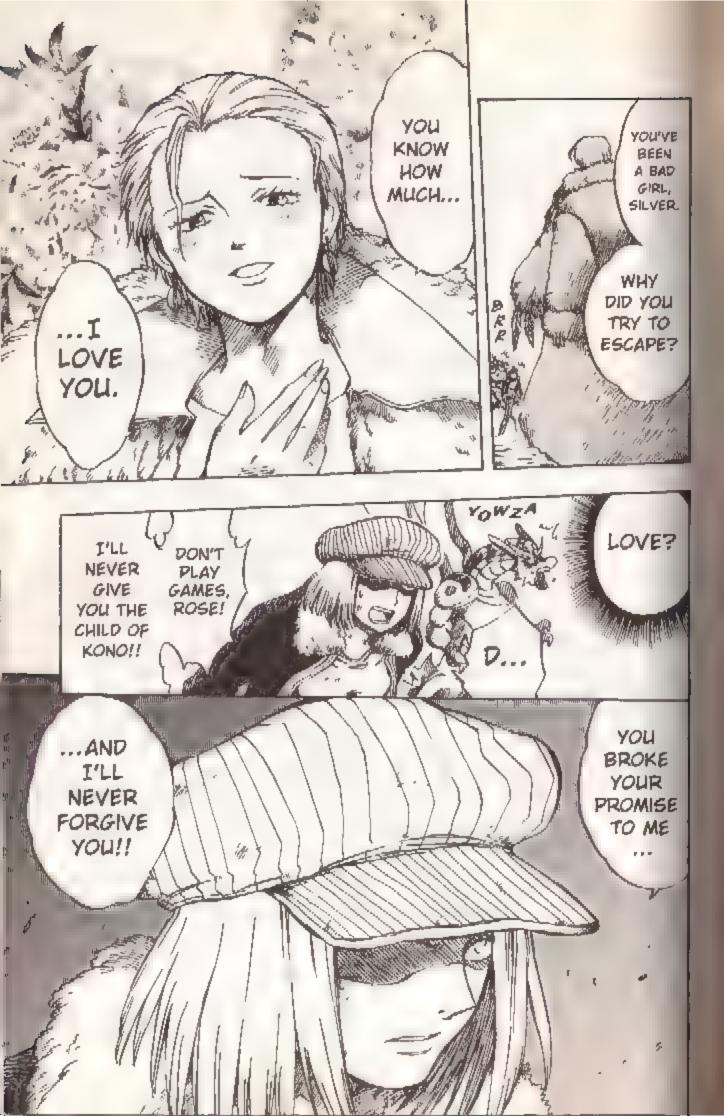
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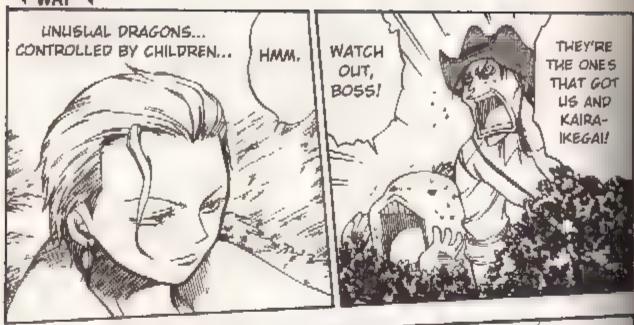










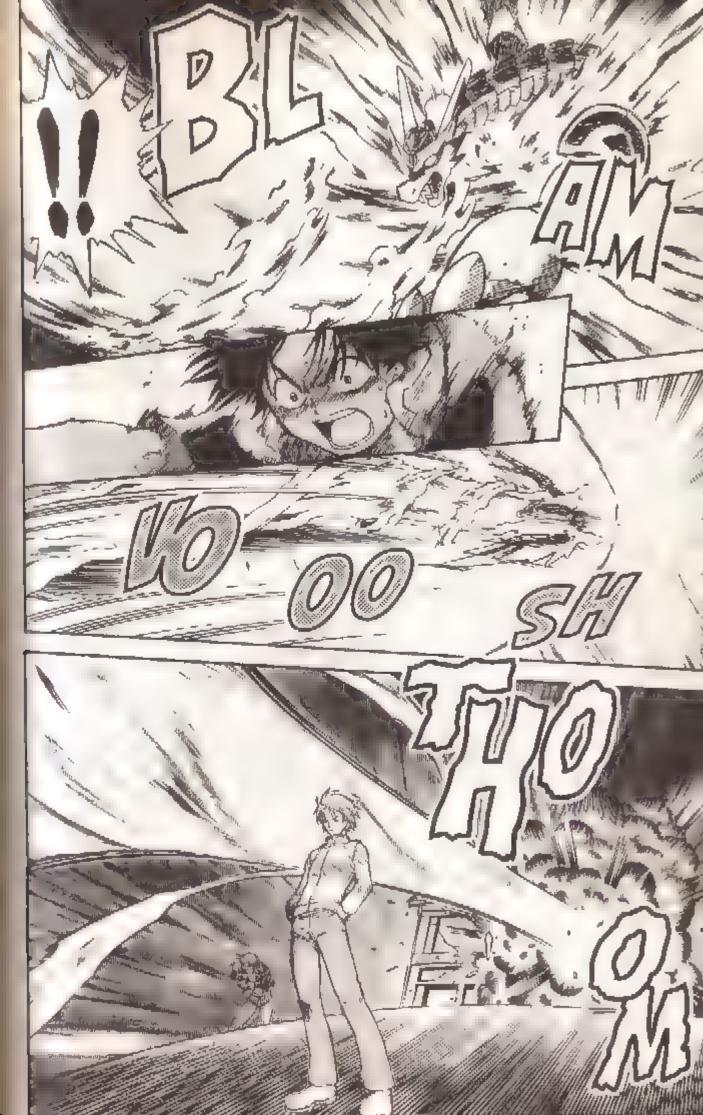






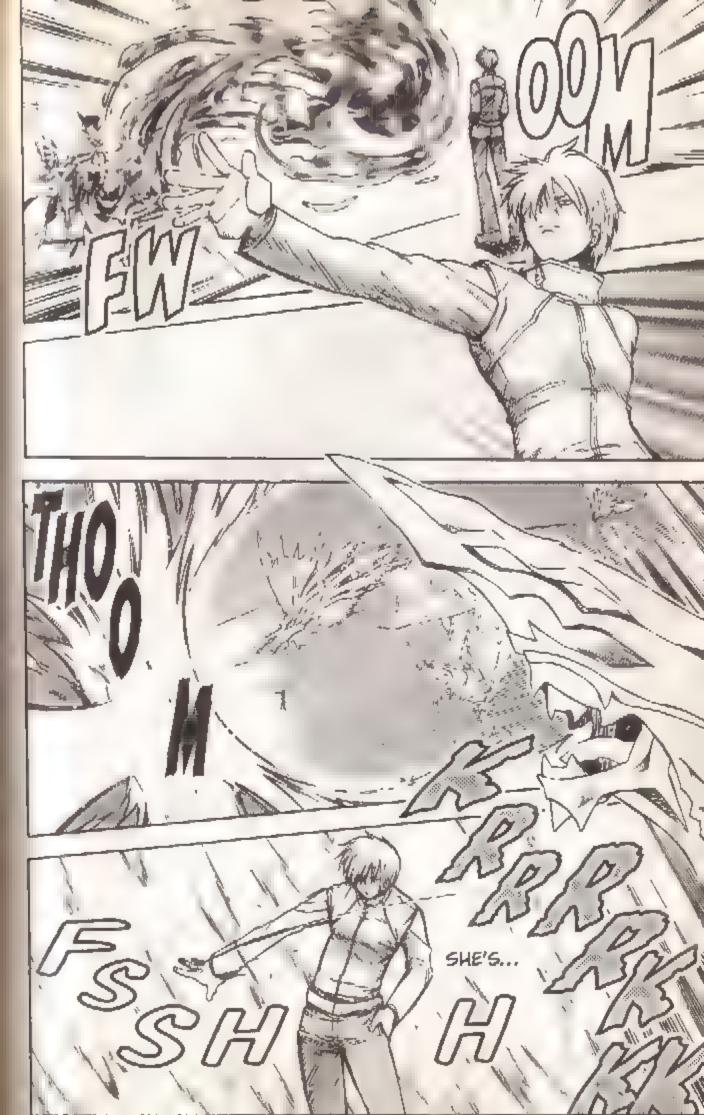




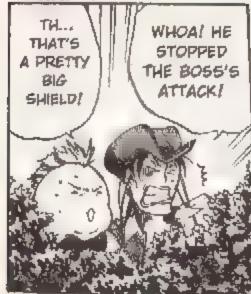




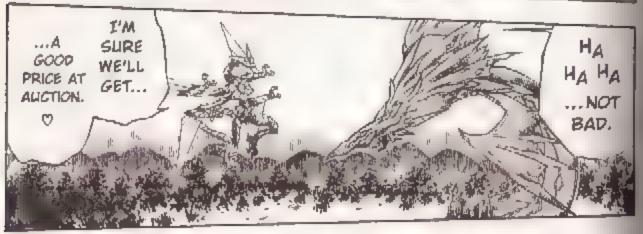












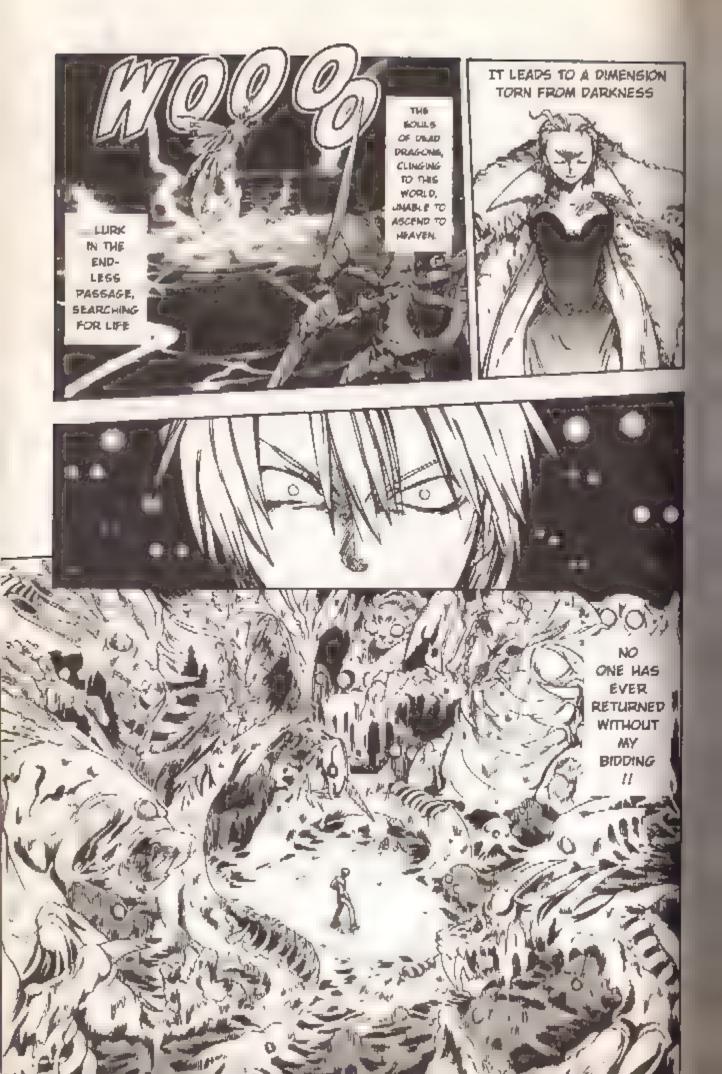










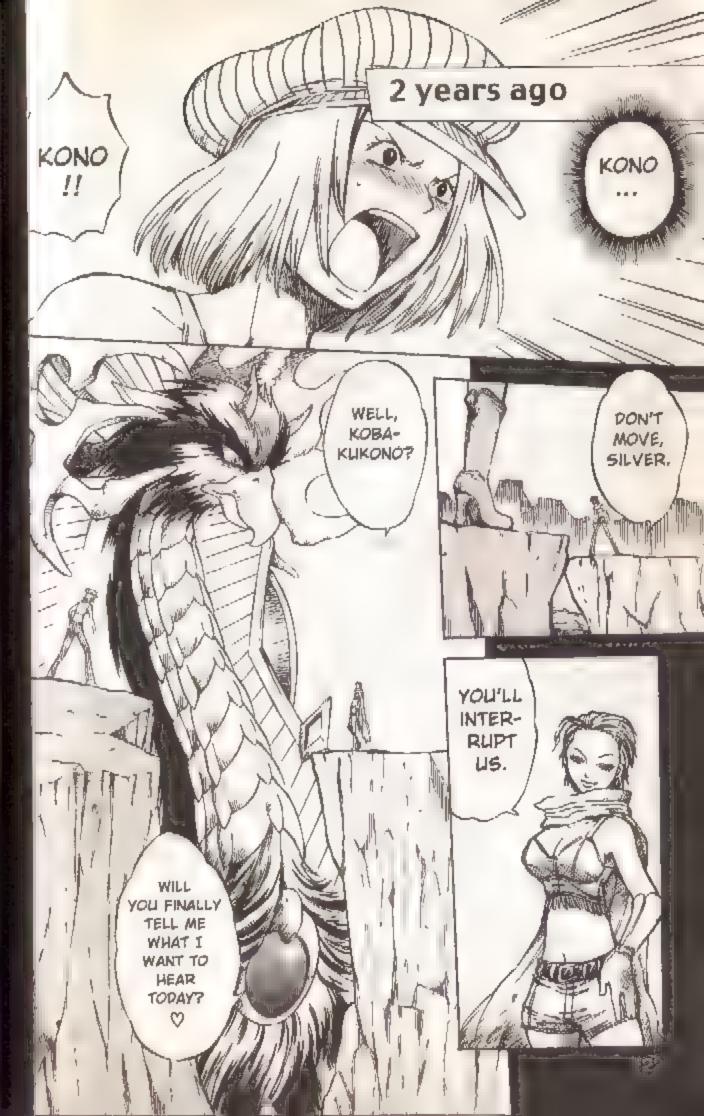


















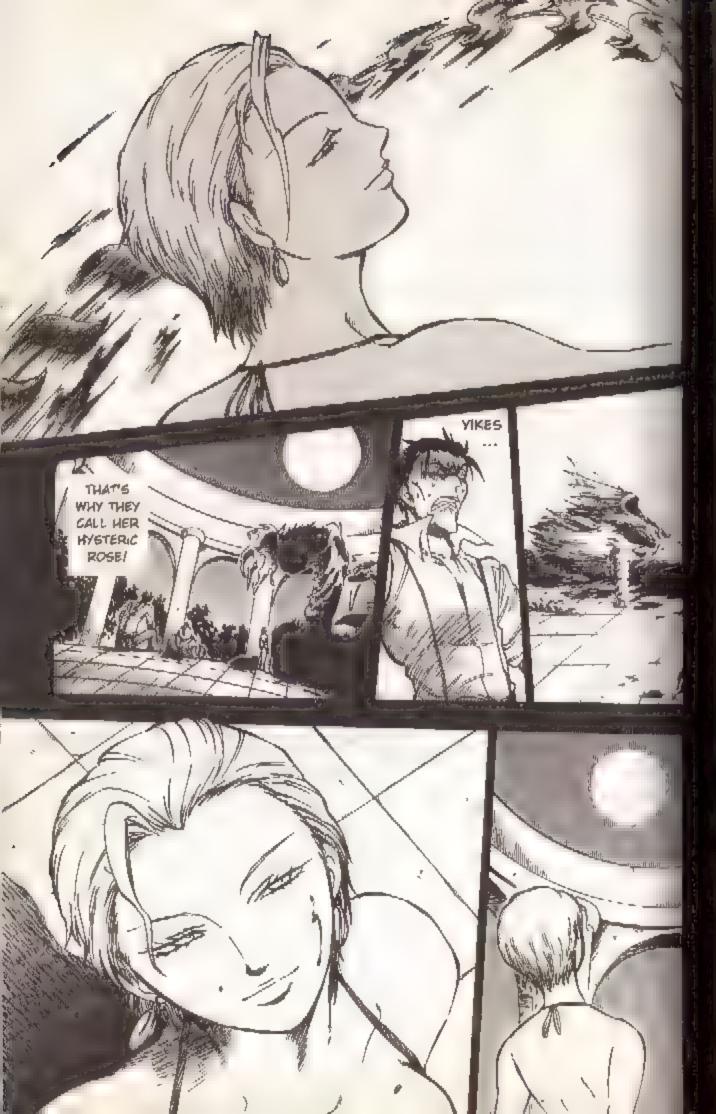
























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HIKARU HIMURO, YOU LOSER!

















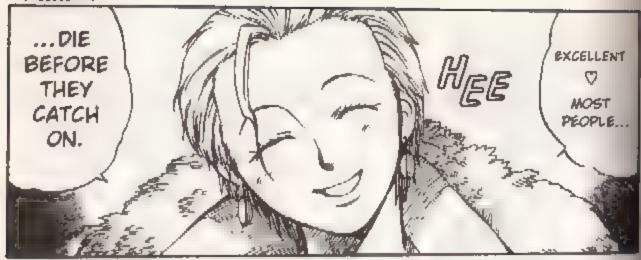


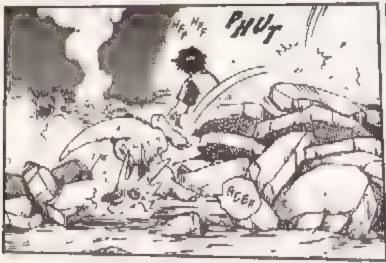






























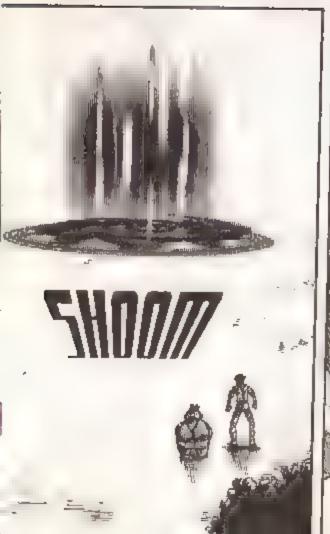




















Spaced-Out Silver (2) DY NAST-CHAN LISTEN TO ME A LVER ICE ...TO MEET YOU! KOKKO T WHAT'S ипи тие Ţ SKIS? DON'T GET IT. THAT'S WHAT I LOVE ABOUT you. GLAD. WHEW ..

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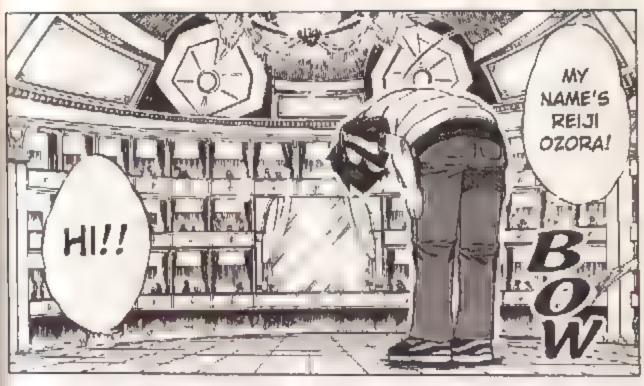
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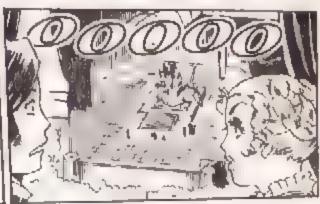












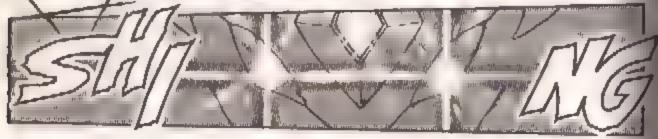






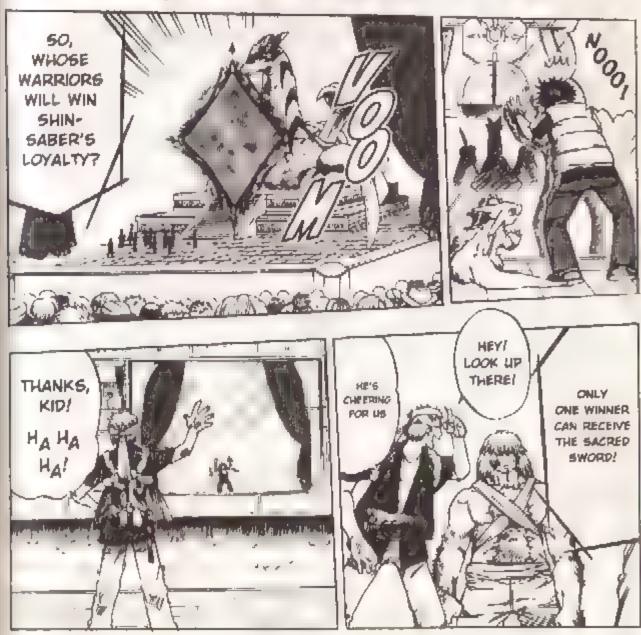










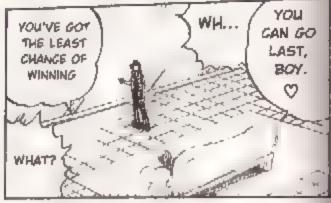


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WHY I'M

ALICTIONING

HIM.













I PAID
A LOT OF
MONEY FOR
HIM! WHAT
ARE YOU
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DO ABOUT
IT?









GET YOUR THINGS TOGETHER AND LEAVE.

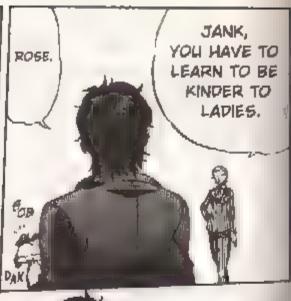
DRAGON.

IF YOU DON'T KNOW THE TRUE VALUE OF THAT DRAGON, YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE COME HERE.

...YOU
CAME
TO THE
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IF YOU
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JUST OUT
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AS IF
YOU WERE
BUYING AN
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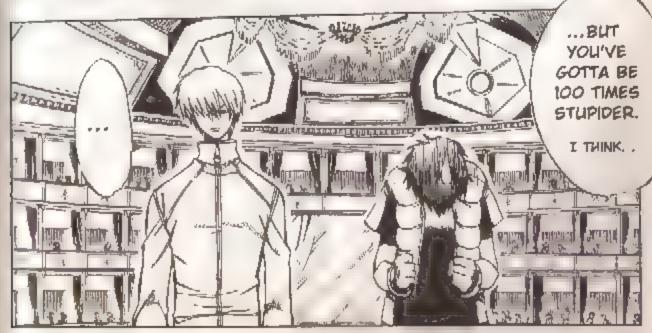
















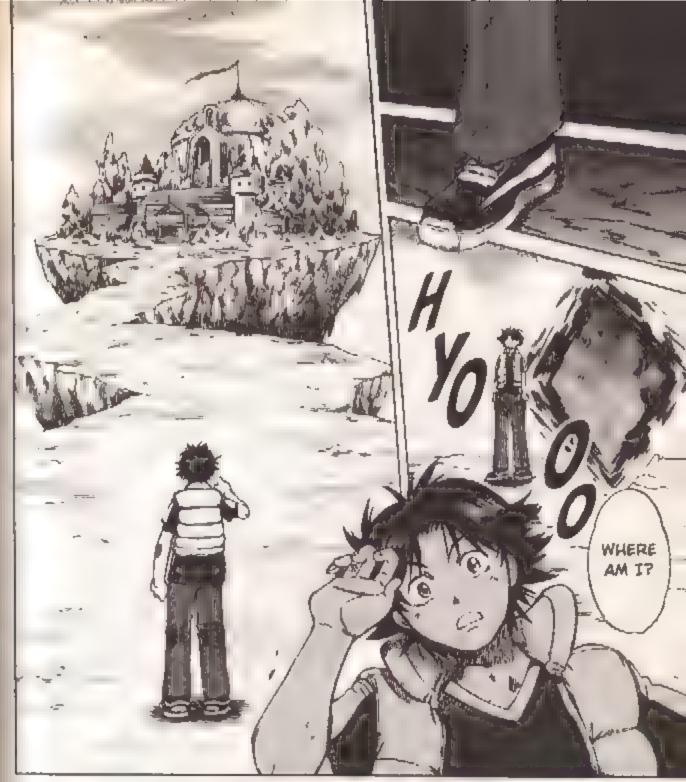










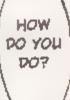




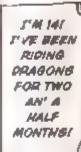








I AM THE EXAMINER, COCK-ROACH.





I...I'M RBIJI OJORAI

























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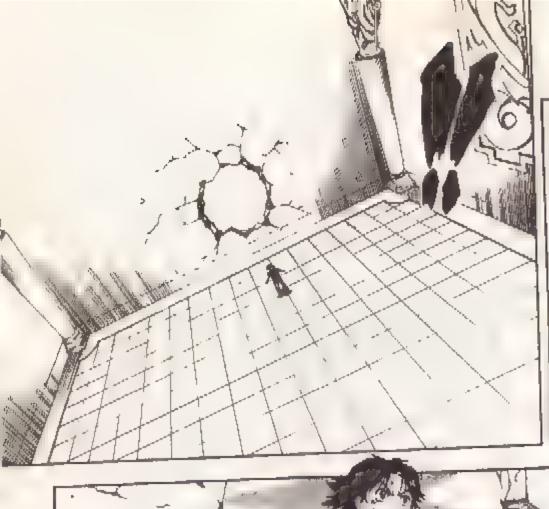














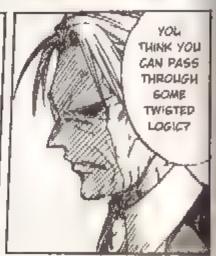










































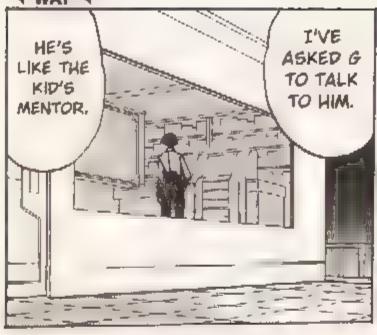












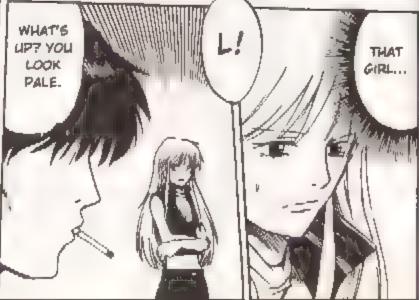


























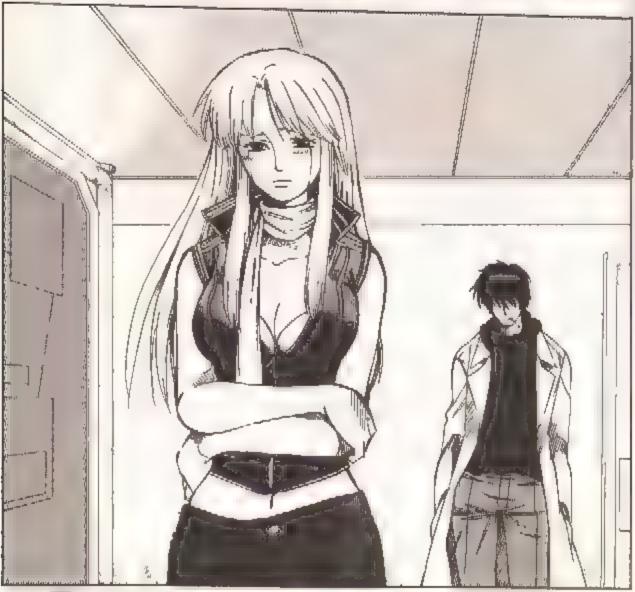
















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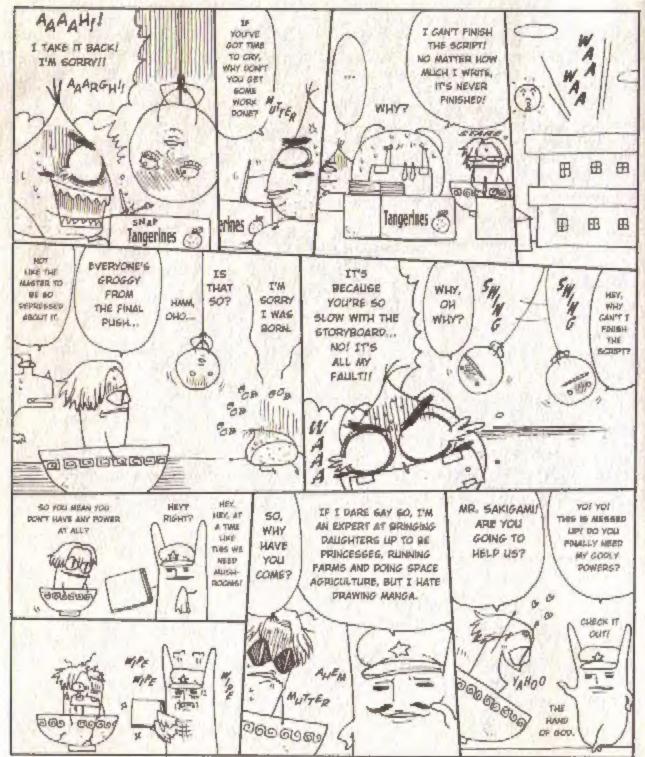


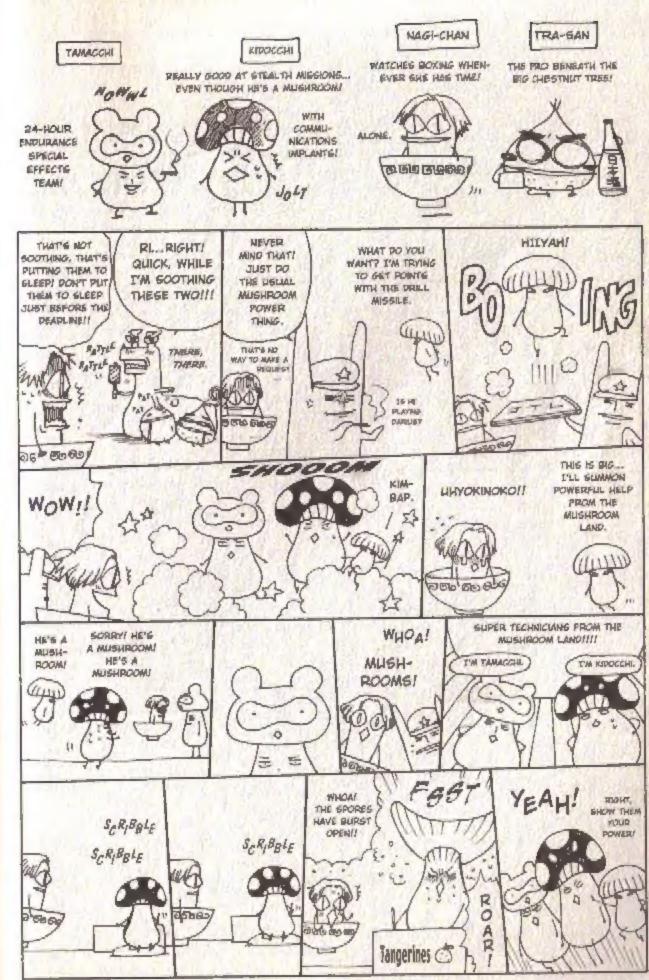
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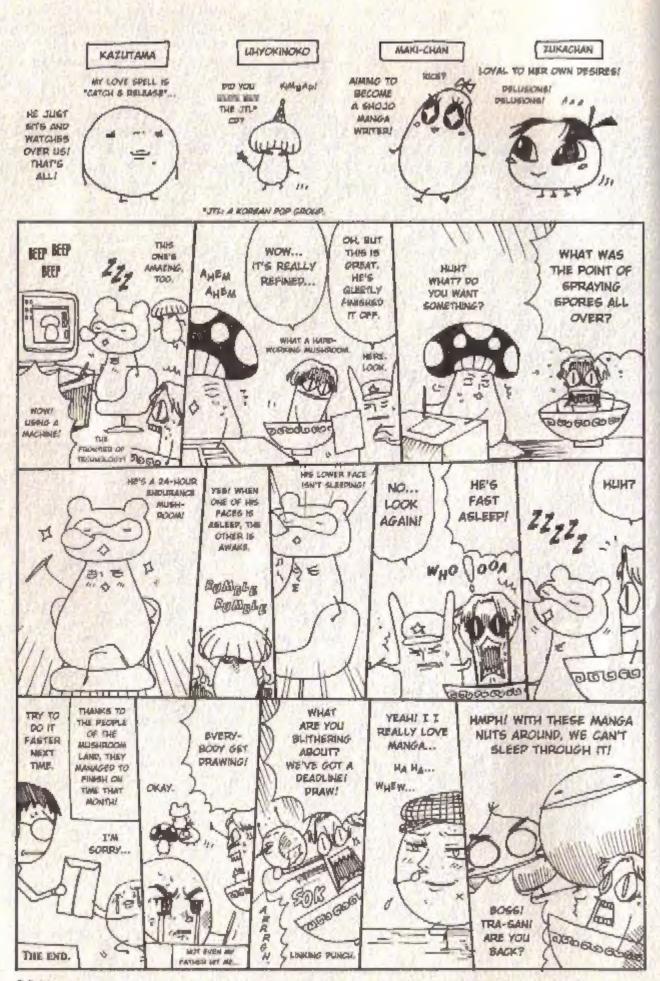


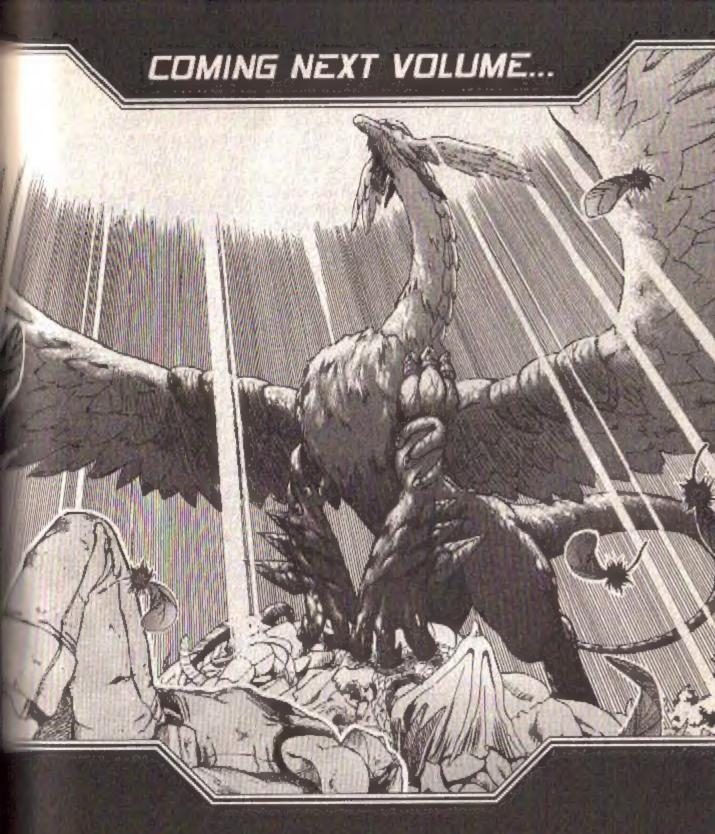
POPULAR WITH WEALTHY MIDDLE-AGED WOMEN.











To win Shinsaber, Reiji and Hikaru have to solve one deadly puzzle after another. But can Reiji pass the final test: fighting Hikaru in an all-out battle? Meanwhile, Maiko is captured by the giant dragon Guan-Coo, but she soon realizes he's not exactly the fearsome monster he's made out to be. Something is rotten in the state of Yaudim, and Maiko is determined to get to the bottom of it!

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